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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR SUGAR DATA

REF: A) STATE 066941, B) MEXICO 04831

1. REPEATED ATTEMPTS TO ACQUIRE INFORMATION REQUESTED
REFTEL A HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL IN SPITE OF ASSURANCES
FROM SUGAR INDUSTRY COMMISSION (CNIA) TO SUPPLY DATA.

2. FROM OFFICE ASSOCIATION WITH A FEW SUGAR CRUSHING
MILLS AND INDIVIDUAL PRODUCERS HAVE OBTAINED THE FOLLOWING:

A) AVERAGE PRODUCTION COSTS ESTIMATED AT 8-10 CENTS PER
POUND TO THE INDUSTRY. ONE MILL IN VERACRUZ STATE,
HOWEVER, REPORTED PRODUCTION COST AT 5.4 CENTS PER POUND
AT CURRENT PESO EXCHANGE RATE FOR DOLLARS (22.45).
ALTHOUGH COSTS HAVE RISEN TO THE SUGAR INDUSTRY SINCE
DEVALUATION LAST FALL, E.G. LABOR, ETC., THE REAL VALUE
OF COST INCREASES IS PROBABLY NOT MUCH GREATER THAN IT
WAS BEFORE DEVALUATION. HENCE AT 12.5 TO THE DOLLAR,
THE FIRM'S COST WOULD BE 9.6 CENTS PER POUND.

B) NO CONCRETE INFORMATION EXISTS CONCERNING VARIABLE
AND FIXED COST BUT BELIEVE VARIABLE TO BE BETWEEN 60-70
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PERCENT AND FIXED 40-30 PERCENT OF TOTAL COST.

3. THE AVERAGE PRICE PAID TO PRODUCERS PER TON OF CANE
FOR THE FIRMS CONTACTED WAS 208 PESOS OR AT CURRENT RATE
OF EXCHANGE US\$9.36 PER METRIC TON. MECHANISM EXISTS
WHEREBY PRODUCERS OF CANE CONTAINING LARGER AMOUNTS OF
SUCROSE RECEIVE PREMIUM PRICE.

4. RETAIL PRICE OF REFINED SUGAR IS FIXED AT US\$0.11 PER POUND.

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5. VALUE ONLY AVAILABLE FOR 1975 - US\$0.33 PER POUND. NO SIGNIFICANT EXPORTS IN 1976.

6. NO PREFERENTIAL SHIPMENTS. HAYNE

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